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Via Email

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RE: NOTICE OF RESPONSE TO FOIA REQUEST
FOIA FILE NO.: P524553

Dear Mr. Stecklow:

This notice is in response to your request received by the Chicago Police Department on September 17, 2019 for the following records and information under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 ILCS 140 *et seq*:

"Pursuant to the Illinois Freedom of Information Act., I hereby request the following records: Copies of the attachment sheets, summary digest report, and any other final disposition documentation (e.g., an Administrative Closure order, mediation agreement, grievance decision or arbitration award) for each of the following CR investigations. If possible, please provide all files associated with each individual CR together in one PDF file per CR number.

1083051

1069865

1087098

1056741

1061745

1075022

1014713

1053015

1022896

1033675

1003647

312698

1022746

1020263

301249"

As permitted by Section 5 ILCS 140/3(e) of the Act, the time was extended in order to conduct a thorough search for these records. Your request was reviewed by the undersigned in collaboration with the Bureau of Internal Affairs. You are

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being provided with the Summary Digest Reports for the Complaint Register (CR) log numbers 1083051, 1069865, 1087098, 1056741, 1061745, 1075022, 1014713, 1053015, 1022896, 1033675, 1003647, 312698, 1022746, 1020263 and 301249 as the responsive records to your request. Please be advised that certain information has been redacted from the enclosed responsive records pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(b), 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) and 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(d). Details of the redactions are set forth below:

Section 7(1)(b) exempts from disclosure "[p]rivate information, unless disclosure is required by another provision of this Act, a State or federal law or a court order." 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(b). The FOIA, in 5 ILCS 140/2(c-5), defines "private information" as follows:

"Private information" means unique identifiers, including a person's social security number, driver's license number, employee identification number, biometric identifiers, personal financial information, passwords or other access codes, medical records, home or personal telephone numbers, and personal email addresses. Private information also includes home address and personal license plates, except as otherwise provided by law or when compiled without possibility of attribution to any person."

Therefore, information such as personal addresses, personal telephone numbers, signatures and CPD employee numbers/user codes are private information and have been redacted pursuant to Section 7(1)(b).

In addition, complainants, victims and witnesses have a strong interest in keeping their identity private. The names and identifying information of these individuals, along with all dates of birth, are considered highly personal information and are protected from disclosure pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(c) of FOIA. Section 7(1)(c) exempts from inspection and copying the following:

"[P]ersonal information contained within public records, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy... 'Unwarranted invasion of personal privacy' means the disclosure of information is that highly personal or objectionable to reasonable person and in which the subject's right to privacy outweighs any legitimate public interest in obtaining the information." *Id.*

Furthermore, names of persons who provided information to law enforcement personnel have also been redacted pursuant to 5 ILCS 140/7(1)(d)(iv) which protects information that would:

- (iv) unavoidably disclose the identity of a confidential source, confidential information furnished only by the confidential source, or persons who file complaints with or provide information to administrative, investigative, law enforcement, or penal agencies; except that the identities of witnesses to traffic accidents, traffic accident reports, and rescue reports shall be provided by agencies

You have the right to a review under 5 ILCS 140-9.5(a) by the Public Access Counselor (PAC) at the Office of the Illinois Attorney General, 500 South 2nd Street, Springfield, Illinois 62706, Phone: (877) 299-3642, Fax: 217-782- 1396, E-mail: publicaccess@atg.state.il.us. You may also seek judicial review of a denial under 5 ILCS 140/11 by filing a lawsuit in the State Circuit Court.

Sincerely,

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